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- 1. Projects ANYONE, ANNIAS and ANNASIN, which cover GA activities directed into Lithuania, Latvin and Estonia, are submitted herewith for renewal for the period 1 July 1960 to 30 June 1961.
- 2. The purpose of this covering memorandum is to indicate the interrelationship of the attached Projects which, although kept separate because of operational and organization considerations, are nevertheless part of an over-all Baltic CA program of growing significance.
- 3. During the past year the Maltic States have been receiving constantly increasing attention in the press of the Free World. This began early in 1960 when it became possible to travel to all three Buitie countries. Throughout 1960, world-wide interest and sympathy have been attracted by Free World Belts as they have observed by their protests the Twentieth Anniversary of the Communist telesover of their countries (Merbert Hoover heads a committee of prominent Americans who support this cause). Since September of this year the position of the Baltic States as victims of Soviet Colonialian has been attended repeatedly by Free World Leaders, especially in the United Batisms. Another encouraging factor is the fact that after years of scanty information, SE/2 has received a stoody flow of reports, since the summer of 1959, which point up the extensive, deep-rooted and openly pro-American and anti-American attitudes of Soviet Balts, both young and old. These reports emenated from the Balts who came in contact in large numbers with Americans at the U.S. Emilbit in Moscow in 1959, from individuals who have travelled to and from the Baltin States during the mast year, and from individuals who have emigrated recently from the Baltic States to Join relatives in the West.
- 4. The above factors plus other long-standing conditions make the Baltic States a unique issue for propaganda emploitation and probably the weakest chink in the propaganda armor of the Soviet Union. Some of these other conditions are:

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- a. The United States and other Free World countries have not recognized the Soviet aggression against and arbitrary annexation of the Baltic States but rather continue to recognize the independence of these three countries and maintain formal relations with their pre-World War II diplomatic missions.
- b. The Balts have a very strong feeling of identification with the culture and history of Western Europe and, in addition, have especially strong ties with and an admiration of America.
- o. The Baltic emigration in the Free World is numerically very large and the ties between these Balts and their countrymen in the Baltic States are very close. Furthermore the Free World Balts are doing much to maintain a free Baltic culture; they possess an extensive press and, in general, continue to maintain their identity as distinct communities.
- d. Not only are people from the West now able to travel to the Maltie States but the Soviets have in the past year begun to allow a substantial number of Balts to travel to the West where they can be contacted more easily.
- 5. In recognition of the great potential in the Baltic CA field, SR/2/Baltic is developing a unified program to begin by 1961 which will emploit the Baltic issue as fully as possible in both its political and operational aspects.

Chief, SR Division

Attachments: b/v Projects AMPCLE, AMPLAG, and AMBASIN

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REQUEST FOR PROJECT RENEWAL

1.	TOT	AL FUNDS	REQUESTED:							
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	b.	PY 1954	• [7	Operational Program	7	(AECKAMP)				
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	h.	FY 1960 -		Chief, DDP/PG		(APPOLE)				

4. PROJECT DATA:

- a. Current objectives.
 - (1) Project AFFGE covers the following activities directed against the Lithuanian SER: radio broadcasts, mailing operations, controlled correspondence operations, CA missions for mounted and "piggy-back" REDERIN operations, EXECUTE contact operations in the West, development of operations through emigre organizations, publication or acquisition of propagands literature for use in REDERIN and mailing operations, exploitation of other media such as demonstrations which have CA potential, and conduct of special operations and campaigns as required. In operations conducted through these media the following objectives are being pursued:

- (a) To preserve the national identity of the Lithuanian people, thereby helping them to resist assimilation into the Soviet society.
- (b) To maintain among the Lithuanian people an attitude of irreconcilability toward International Communism and the Soviet regime dominating Lithuania today.
- (c) To maintain and enhance the pro-Western and pro-American orientation of the Lithuanian people.
- (d) To ensourage revisionist tendencies among Lithuanian Communists.
- (e) To foster evolutionary changes by encouraging the Lithuanian people to seek continuous concessions from the Soviet regime in Lithuania.
- (f) To contribute by all possible means to the growth of intellectual ferment among the Lithuanian people.

(2) Operational mechanisms

- (a) Lithuanian section at Radio Madrid (Radio Macional de Espana).
- (b) Lithuanian section at Radio Rome.
- (c) Lithuanian section at Andio Vatican.
- (d) AEPGEN/1 (a vorid-vide Lithuanian anti-Communist emigre organization; contact is with the chairman and the secretary of the organization who are in New York; it provides cover for the Madrid, Home and Vatican radio breadcasts; AEPGEN/1 also has a publication, the MIMA Bulletin, which is published in Lithuanian, English, German and Italian and will be published in Spanish. It has a radio menitoring service in Germany. It has representatives in most of the capitals of Vestern Europe, as well as in Canada, Australia and some South American countries).
- (e) FRONTAS (a world-wide Lithuanian anti-Communist emigre organisation; contact is with the chairman of the organization who is in New York).

(g) American Lithuanian Council (leading American-Lithuanian organization; access is through Pijus GRIGAITIS, the secretary general of the organization).

(3) Targets

The target of this project is the Lithusnian people in Lithusnia; however, the Russian people are also considered to be an additional target for operations which can be directed at them through the Lithusnian people.

b. Changes in operational mechanism.

(1) Contact with AEFGLE/1 has expanded with the Agency continuing to support specific AEFGLE/1 operations.

(2) Personnel

- (a) APPOLE/30, S-3652, was terminated this past year and subsequently employed by APPOLE/1. Arrangements had been made previously with APPOLE/1 to appoint him as coordinator for all Lithuanian radio breadcasts emanating from Radio Rome, Radio Madrid and the Vatican Radio. The Baltie GA section continues to maintain semi-covert centagt with APPOLE/30.
- (b) AEPGLE/10 was terminated in February of this year. His contribution to the GA effort was considered of marginal value and it was therefore decided to terminate him.
- (c) AEPOLE/31 has been recruited jointly by AEPOLE/24 and Agency case officers to serve as the head of a group of AEPOLE/1 personnel who will be used to brief and debrief legal travelers to and from the USER. AEPOLE/31 is highly dedicated, sincere and intelligent. He is the editor of his own Lithuanian magnaine and has extensive contacts in the Lithuanian emigration. Compensation for his services will be handled by AEFOLE/1. No contract will be drawn for AEFOLE/31.
- (d) AMPOLE/12, a Lithuanian priest living in Rome, was recruited during EMDANCE for use for both CA and FI purposes. He is the editor of the Italian version of AMPOLE/1's HATA Bulletin. Compensation will be \$50.00 per month. He will be handled by

c. Intelligence production.

Intelligence obtained through Project AEPOLE has been of value to REDSKIN operations and has included the acquisition of biographic and travel information as well as of REDSKIN leads themselves.

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- d. Analysis of effectiveness.
 - (1) Significant operational events:
 - (a) Badio broadcasts were continued from Badio Madrid with a 15 minute original broadcast and a 15 minute repeat per day. Radio Rome broadcasts continued with a 80 minute program per day. Reports from German repatriates from the Lithuanian SSR to West Germany as well as emigres from Lithuania to the U.S. indicate that these broadcasts are heard in Lithuania.
 - (b) A compaign was carried out in conjunction with the Latvians and Estonians which highlighted the 20th anniversary of the Comminist aggression against the Baltic States. This compaign will be carried on for the rest of the calendar year.
 - (c) Campaigns similar to the letters-to-the editor in connection with Enrushenev's offer of a non-aggression pact will continue to be conducted when suitable.
 - (d) A CA briefing was given to ARMOFFET/13 who traveled on a REDSEIN mission to Lithuania in August 1960.
 - (e) A CA briefing was given to ARRALGORY/3 who traveled on a REDERIN mission to Lithuania in September 1960.
 - (2) Consenance with Matienal Security Council Directives.

Activities under ASPOIS are in line with MSC 5412/2, Covert Operations. NSC 5906/1.

e. Cover, control and security.

The Agency continues to support ANTONAL radio broadcasts. This arrangement with ANTONALL to act as an overt cover organization for our support of their radio activities, is working out entisfactorily and no problems of a security nature have been encountered.

f. Assessment of indigenous agents.

There is no individual who could be considered a principal agent for this project. Indigenous agents are as follows:

(1) AEFOLE/21 - has had occasional contact with the Frankfurt case officer who recruited him, receives his pay from the _______, and receives guidance from Headquarters.

His effectiveness and motivation appear to be good. Control is based on his dependence on Agency financial support plus common anti-Communist interests. He has responded enthusiastically to Headquarters guidance.

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- (3) AEPOLE/27 emigrated to the U.S. in July 1959. Her replacement has not been appointed although several individuals have been hired temporarily on a trial basis. A choice will be made when a satisfactory individual has been found.
- (4) AEFOLE/29 cut-out through whom AEFOLE/22 and AEFOLE/26 receive their pay from ______ Guidance from Headquarters for the Rome radio broadcasts is also handled by AEFOLE/29. He performed in excellent fashion in FI operations conducted during EMMARCE.
- g. American project personnel.*
 - (1) Headquarters
 - 2 case officers
 - l career agent
 - 1 contract agent
 - (2) Field

To case officer

Wall case officers and the career agent spend from one-fourth to one-third of their time on Project ARPOLE.

**The contract agent is used in a consultative capacity only and is paid \$100.00 a month.

h. Linison with intelligence services.

There has been no limison with any intelligence services.

i. Interagency ecordination.

No interegency coordination has been required.

- j. Plans for ensuing year.
 - (1) Travel to Lithuania is expected to increase in the coming year based on the following information:



- (a) Travel to Lithuania is not being opposed by most Lithuanian emigre leaders in the U.S. which means we are free to exploit the large untapped supply of potential Lithuanian MEDSKIN candidates in the U.S.
- (b) South America, Canada and Australia have large Lithuanian elements which we intend to study for MEDSKIN purposes.
- (c) In Germany the younger generation of Lithuanians and the Baltic German repatriates from Lithuania as well as German businessmen traveling to Lithuania constitute a source of REDEKIN agents worthy of exploitation.
- (d) Her evidence indicates that a great many flowiet Lithusnians are visiting Western Europe especially France and Italy.
- (e) An American professor of Lithuanian descent has allegedly been invited to give a series of lectures at Vilnius University in Jamuary and February 1961. If the invitation has been made, then this is the first time such an invitation has been extended to a U.S. citisen since the war and it is possible that other similar invitations may follow.

Because of these facts which promise an increase in HEDGELE operations, the SR/2 Beltic Section has shifted its GA effort to place major emphasis on the CA aspects of REGELE operations.

(2) REDSETS operations.

These operations are handled in close cooperation with the FI personnel of the Lithuanian deak. Operations will continue to be mounted from the United States and Western Europe and, in addition, operational possibilities will be explored in South America, Canada and Australia. Emphasis will be on case officer briefing of travelers although agent assets and emigre organization contacts will be used for piggy-back operations and for contacting Soviet Lithuanian travelers to the West.

(3) Radio operations.

Hegotistiens with AEPGLE/1 were successfully completed this past year and AEPGLE/1 now provides the necessary cover for radio broadcasts from Radio Home, Radio Madrid, and Radio Vatioan. Considerable improvement has been noted in the radio programs, both in content and literary style. This improvement is largely attributable to AEPGLE/30, a Lithuanian journalist,

who was appointed by AEPOLE/1 to coordinate support material for the radio broadcasts. All radio guidance is now being handled through AEPOLE/1. Agent contact with Agency personnel is still maintained with the Field stations for passing of funds (for agent salary payments which are paid by the Agency without the knowledge of AEPOLE/1). It is planned that eventually AEPOLE/1 will absorb these payments through an "increase" in field agent salaries and agent contact with Agency personnel will then be terminated.

(4) Enigre organization activities.

Our contact with AEPCEE/1 for specific operations includes MEMBERS spotting, REDGEIN contact operations, support of radio broadcasts, demonstrations, political action and similar activities. It is planned to contact selected leaders in the Lithusnian youth organisation for like purposes.

(5) Controlled correspondence operations.

It is planned to develop controlled correspondence operations using Lithusnian youth, students and intellectuals to achieve eventual HERSKIN operations and to get CA material into Lithuenia as well as to obtain PI and GI infermation.

(6) Mailing Operations.

- (a) Mass mailing operations to Lithuania have been discontinued. Henceforth only limited mailings will be carried out targeted at selected individuals or groups. Headquarters will continue to furnish the texts for these letters.
- (b) Special compaigns such as the letters to West German newspapers concerning Envishence's statement on a nonaggression pact will continue to be conducted when feasible.
- (c) The use of Soviet Lithuanians to distribute Russian language propagands material is still being investigated.
- (d) An operation involving printing in the West and periodic mailing from inside Lithuania of a pumphlet estensibly coming from a liberal intellectual group or a strongly nationalistic group is under study.
- (e) A program is being conducted to collect manuscripts written by Soviet Lithuanians inside the Lithuanian SSR and amuggled out to the Free World for printing. These manuscripts would then be mailed to newspaper editors, propagandised over our radio assets and through mailing operations, made available for sale to the public and distributed to REDSKIB travelers visiting Lithuania.

(7) Special campaigns.

Special campaigns will continue to be conducted when issues warrant (see cover memorandum).

- (8) Purposes for which funds in excess of the obligated amount for FY 1960 are required:
 - (a) Operations handled through AEFCLE/1 have been expanding since the last quarter of FY 1960 and will soon include briefing selected legal travelers.
 - (b) The Tventieth Anniversary Campaign is being continued during the first half of FT 1961.
 - (c) A campaign on Soviet Colonialism will be conducted during FT 1961.

k. Estimated expenses.

(1) Personnel:

(a) 1 BB/CA - []

\$1,200.00

(b) 4 FM/FA - ARPOLE/21

ARPOLE/22

ARPOLE/26

ARPOLE/32

8,700.00

(a) Resettlement of AEPOLE/25

6,000.00

- (2) Supplies, material and equipment:
 - (a) Books and periodicals
 - (b) Printing of propaganda booklets, pamphlets, etc.
- (3) Other operational expenses:
 - (a) Purchase of services and information
 - (b) Area travel for field agents
 - (c) Field case officer travel

(a)	Domestic	travel	for	Readquarters case	officers,
	contract	agents	and	covert associates	

- (e) Mailing operations
- (f) Special campaign on the twentieth anniversary of the Soviet takeover of Lithuania
- (g) Special campaign on the issue of colonialism
- (h) Intertainment of covert associates
- (4) Payments made to AEFOLE/1 for specific operations to include contacting legal travelers, special campaigns, demonstrations, political action by emigre leaders, press services, mailing operations, etc.
 - (a) Conduct of radio broadcasts over Radio Madrid, Radio Rome and Radio Vatican.
 - (b) Briefing and debriefing of legal travelers to and from Mithusnia.
 - (c) Publication of BLAA Bulletin in Lithuanian, English, German, Italian and Spanish.
 - (d) Publication of books and pamphlets to include a collection of dissident literature from inside Lithuania.
 - (e) Monitoring of Soviet Lithuanian radio broadcasts.

1. Field direction.

5. D&TO ACTIVITIES:

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